



Weekly Bulletin

Holy Name of Mary Catholic Parish
Rydalmere

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Sunday, 20th August A.D. 2023

A FOREIGNER'S FAITH

Most of us are the foreigners, the non-Israelites, about whom today's First Reading prophesies. Coming to worship the God of Israel, we stand in the line of faith epitomized by the Canaanite woman in today's Gospel. Calling to Jesus as Lord and Son of David, this foreigner shows her great faith in God's covenant with Israel. Jesus tests her faith three times. He refuses to answer her cry. Then, He tells her His mission is only to Israelites. Finally, He uses "dog," an epithet used to disparage non-Israelites. Yet she persists, believing that He alone offers salvation. Jesus came first to restore the kingdom to Israel. In the Mass we join all peoples in doing Him homage. As Isaiah foretold, we come to His holy mountain, the heavenly Jerusalem, to offer sacrifice at His altar. With the Canaanite, we take our place at the Master's table to be fed as His children.

- Dr. Scott Hahn

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Sick

Robert Boi-Nassar
Jenny Haines
Louis Wehbe

Recently Deceased

Teogenes Abrau
Jennifer Gaffney

Anniversaries

Bill Ryan, Umberto Bruzzese,
Siglinde Landsperger. Enid
Vanderputt, Fr. Frank Furfaro,
Bernie Cudmore, Harras Abood,
Janine Jazwiak

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tue - Thu - Fri - Sat 9:15 am
Wednesday 7:00 pm

ADORATION (EXPOSITION)

Perpetual (24/7)

Wednesday 6:00pm -7:00 pm
Saturday 8:30 am

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday (Vigil) 5:30 pm
Sunday 8:00 am
& 10:00 am

RECONCILIATION:

Wednesday: 6:15 - 6:45pm
Saturday 8:30 am - 9:00 am

BAPTISM:

2nd & 4th Sunday of the
Month 11:30 am

SUNDAY READINGS

Entrance Antiphon: *Psalm 83:10-11*

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere

First Reading: *Isaiah 56: 1, 6-7*

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

I will bring foreigners to my holy mountain

Thus says the Lord: Have a care for justice, act with integrity, for soon my salvation will come and my integrity be manifest.

Foreigners who have attached themselves to the Lord to serve him and to love his name and be his servants – all who observe the sabbath, not profaning it, and cling to my covenant – these I will bring to my holy mountain. I will make them joyful in my house of prayer. Their holocausts and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples.

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalms 66(67): 2-3, 5-6. 8*

(R.) Let the peoples praise You, O God; let all the peoples praise You.

1. O God, be gracious and bless us and let Your face shed its light upon us. So will Your ways be known upon earth and all nations learn Your saving help. (R.)
2. Let the nations be glad and exult for You rule the world with justice. With fairness You rule the peoples, You guide the nations on earth. (R.)
3. Let the peoples praise You, O God; let all the peoples praise You. May God still give us His blessing till the ends of the earth revere Him. (R.)

Second Reading: *Romans 11:13-15, 29-32*

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

With Israel, God never takes back his gifts or revokes his choice.

Let me tell you pagans this: I have been sent to the pagans as their apostle, and I am proud of being sent, but the purpose of it is to make my own people envious of you,

and in this way save some of them. Since their rejection meant the reconciliation of the world, do you know what their admission will mean? Nothing less than a resurrection from the dead! God never takes back his gifts or revokes his choice.

Just as you changed from being disobedient to God, and now enjoy mercy because of their disobedience, so those who are disobedient now – and only because of the mercy shown to you – will also enjoy mercy eventually. God has imprisoned all men in their own disobedience only to show mercy to all mankind.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick.

Alleluia!

Gospel: *Matthew 15:21-28*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

The Canaanite woman debates with Jesus and saves her daughter

Jesus left Gennesaret and withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. Then out came a Canaanite woman from that district and started shouting, 'Sir, Son of David, take pity on me. My daughter is tormented by a devil.' But he answered her not a word. And his disciples went and pleaded with him. 'Give her what she wants,' they said 'because she is shouting after us.' He said in reply, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel.' But the woman had come up and was kneeling at his feet. 'Lord,' she said 'help me.' He replied, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the house-dogs.' She retorted, 'Ah yes, sir; but even house-dogs can eat the scraps that fall from their master's table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, you have great faith. Let your wish be granted.' And from that moment her daughter was well again.

Communion Antiphon:

With the Lord there is mercy;
in him is plentiful redemption

PATRONAL FEAST

Holy Name of Mary

10th September A.D. 2023



ATTENDING



VOLUNTEER



Vinnies

good works

Chapter Meeting will resume every fortnight from Tuesday, 29th Aug at 7:30pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

You Are Invited!

All Young Adults aged 18-35 are invited to join us on Saturday, 26th August at 6:45pm in the Parish Meeting Room.



ROSARY AT THE SHOPS

3pm on **Saturday, 26th August** at Ermington Shops, opposite the Post Office. Please contact Brian Naim: 0409 306 381.

TAX RECEIPTS

Receipts for taxable donations are available for the last financial year **2022/23**. If you would like a receipt, please contact the Parish Office.

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NOMINATIONS OPEN

Papal, Civil & Diocesan Awards

Nominate someone worthy of a Papal, Civil or Diocesan Award. Please visit parracatholic.org/awards



REMINDER

Due to Fr. Chadi's Annual Leave, there will be no daily Masses between **7th August - 8th September**

Parish Recommitment & Registration Form

Please complete this form to register as a new parishioner or to update your existing details.



PATRONAL FEAST

Holy Name of Mary +

4 Myrtle Street, Rydalmere NSW 2116

Sept | 10th | 2023

Celebration of Holy Mass @ 10am

Consecration & Blessing of New Statue @ 11am

Festival of International Foods @ 11:30am

For more information or to volunteer contact

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